

BY YESTERDAY EVENING'S MAIL.

Letter from Orange County.

Orange, May 24, 1859.—Yesterday being Court day here, a goodly number of the yeomanry were on the Court green to hear what the politicians had to say for their sins. We had a very interesting discussion between Messrs. Shackelford and Hunt, who were democratic electors for this district. Both gentlemen acquitted themselves very handsomely, and much to the satisfaction of their respective friends. After the election between these two gentlemen, Mr. Thomas was loudly called for, and his speech seemed to please every one, and I don't think that I am out of bounds when I say that he made at least ten converts. I certainly believe that he will carry the county by a good margin. I can say that I have conversed with a great many of the yeomanry, and they all seem to be in favor of Mr. Thomas. I am writing merely for "Buncombe," but such is not the case, for it is my honest opinion, from all that I can learn from gentlemen from all parts of the County, with whom I have conversed that it is safe for Thomas.

The Blue Ridge Republican says:—Mrs. Thompson, daughter of the late Geo. Grady (Orange), died in this place, on Sunday night last.

The Baltimore Patriot appears in a beautiful new suit of type. We wish it every success.

Mr. Montague, the Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor of this State, has been in Washington for the last few days.

A CARD.

I do not favor to contradict in your paper, the statement circulating by persons hostile to me, to the effect, that I have withdrawn from the canvass, and I am still a candidate. The object of such a statement is as obvious as the sun.

H. SHACKELFORD.

Tribute of Respect.

At a meeting of the members of the Young Men's Christian Association, held at their Rooms, on the morning of the 21st of May, 1859, the following resolutions and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased an Allwise God, in his Providence, to call to afflict us, by removing from our midst our dearly beloved brother, SAMUEL J. McCORMICK, whose amiable and christian character has inexpressibly endeared him to our hearts—in memory of his virtues and his worth, and as a testimonial of the love and respect which we bear him—

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FROM Mexico and California.

NEW ORLEANS, May 21.—The following additional intelligence has been received from California and the Isthmus. The steamer "Isabella," of the Vanderbilt Line, which left California on the 10th, has on board 700 passengers, but no treasure.

The British ship of war "Alert," with 82,500,000 in Mexican dollars on board, arrived at Acapulco on the 12th from Mazatlan and San Blas, for Panama.

On the same day Minister McLane went to Tampico in the Brooklyn, on an official visit, where he remained two days, and then returned to Matamoros. After sending a dispatch to Washington by the Contraband, he returned to Vera Cruz.

A great many of Walker's men from California are arriving at Ventosa, and passing over the Isthmus. Walker was expected down soon.

San Francisco Markets.—The partial revival of business noticed at the sailing of the last steamer has fallen off, and there is a stagnation in all branches as great as during the gloomiest winter period. The season is unusually backward and the heavy snows still block the roads. Small sales of Boots and Shoes have been made, but there is no change in price. Breadstuffs are very dull. In Candles a fair business is doing; sales of 10,520 pounds in boxes, having been effected since the 20th ult. at 17 1/2 cents.

Best Duck 26 cents. Dried Peas are dull with a downward tendency. Corn is dull more inquiry for Mackerel. California are dull and lower. Guanoes are held at 12 cents, they being all in the possession of one house. Eastern refined syrups have advanced and continued firm.

Provisions are firm at good rates.

[COMMUNICATED.]

Mr. Pryor, on Monday evening, sought to impress upon his hearers the opinion that if Mr. Goggin should be elected it would greatly strengthen the Republican party. Why should Whigs—

"Stint their necessary actions, in the fear To cope with such a man."

Who, and what was it that originated the Republican party? Was it not, in truth, the Democracy? If, in contending for a just principle, the Democracy did not hesitate to let consequences take care of themselves, why should that party except to the Whigs acting in accordance with their own *fidus justitia*?

The Whigs, in seeking to out the Democracy, do so upon the basis of certain well defined principles, deemed essential to the general welfare—not for "spills" merely, as Mr. Pryor stated—and in their maintenance of these principles, it does not lie in the mouths of the Democrats to except thereto.

Mr. Pryor, also, desired to know if anyone was so much of the Dignitary as to write himself "an ass," by excepting to Mr. Letcher because of being unsmooth upon "negrology." Mr. P. well knew that while no Whig, for such cause, is subject to any justly called the leaders of his party are justly entitled to do so. Having virtually called the "Prince Don John's" leader a knave, "because of his negrology," they, *virtu*, upon his nomination, could, huzza, and represent him to be "a marvellously proper man" upon the "goose."

The Whigs, as we have before stated, do not regard Mr. Letcher as unreliable upon the slavery issue, but merely protest against the Democracy subjecting itself to the Dignitary designation, by supporting a man for Governor who has not always, as now, regarded slavery as a blessing, after having time again, declared "it no such matter, and again, having been false in this." Any reference to the opinions of Mr. Goggin, or Mr. Scott, or any other "Not the least."

The Whigs, unlike the Democracy, have never said that he who had expressed anti-slavery views should not be trusted, that he recanted, and hence not subject to the exceptions to which the Democracy seek to subject them.

Mr. Pryor, too, when prone to exclaim "what have I done that mine enemies praise me," should not imagine that it was because of his democracy. A man like himself or too, Wise, might well be praised, by an opponent, for his integrity or mental ability, while his principles were heartily deprecated. Indeed, principle is the issue.

Mr. Pryor, too, may be to accept praise from an opponent, he has hardly been surprised in this city, during this campaign, in oratorical ability and efficiency as a speaker, and is truly a credit to his party and to the State, and would make a mark, creditable to both, in any assembly.

A WHIG.

[COMMUNICATED.]

To the Whigs of the Seventh District.

Whigs of the Seventh Congressional District, are you fully aroused and prepared for the conflict, to come off on the 26th inst. Do you intend to make a bold strike for Major Thomas, or do you intend to stand by with arms folded, and see him sacrificed?—Now, for the sake of justice and the good old Whig cause, go to the polls and elect Thomas, a gentleman who is able and worthy to represent us.

HARRY.

Orange County, May 23.

COMMERCIAL.

The Markets.

BALTIMORE, May 24.—Flour closed quiet and firm; Howard street and Ohio \$7.25. Wheat closed quiet and unchanged; white 17 1/2c, red 17 1/2c. Corn closed firm, at an advance of 1/2c; white \$8 1/2c, yellow 9 1/2c. Provisions are in better request; bacon sides are firm, at 10c. Whiskey closed dull at 20c.

NEW YORK, May 24.—Flour has declined 1/2c; State \$5.50, Ohio \$5.75, and \$5.00. Southern \$7.75, \$7.90. Wheat has declined 1/2c; Western white 15 1/2c, red 15 1/2c. Corn has declined 1/2c; yellow 9 1/2c, mixed nominal. Pork closed heavy; mess 17 1/2c, prime 15 1/2c. Lard closed firm at 11 1/2c. Whiskey closed quiet, at 25c.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

COURT, EIGHTH DAY.—Turner & Dowell vs. The Fire Insurance Company. The jury again assembled but being unable to agree, were discharged, and the case removed to the Circuit Court of Culpeper County—John Jamieson, Samuel Chilton, and D. F. Munton for the plaintiffs; R. E. Scott, H. W. Davis, S. F. Beach and C. W. Wattle, for the defendants. We understand that the jury stood eleven for the plaintiffs, to one for the defendants on one instruction, and seven for the trustee.

McFarlan, on the other vs. Pritchard, Ford, and others—the jury returned a verdict of not guilty, as to Ford, and guilty with damages against Pritchard, Acc-Brent and Kinzer for plaintiffs; Scott, Edwards and Kinzer for defendants.

Clarke, Watson & Co. vs. \$555, Castleman & Co.—Assumpsit to recover \$555 for axes sold with a warranty, verdict for defendants—F. L. Smith for the plaintiffs; Brent and Kinzer for defendants.

A. Woodruff & Robinson vs. Benton and others—Action of debt. Continued for the defendants.

A number of cases were continued and several submitted on law points.

The court adjourned until the next morning at 9 o'clock.

INVITATION.—It will be seen by the following letter that an invitation has been extended to the members of the Young Men's Christian Association of this city, by their brethren of Baltimore, to attend the Union Festival in the latter city, which was inaugurated at the Maryland Institute, yesterday evening. The Sun says:—"Great preparations have been made—the halls are handsomely decorated and the several churches engaged in the work have entered with spirit upon the self-imposed labor of love. A reunion of unusual interest, under the happiest auspices, and with the promise of an abundant result in every point of view is assured in the premises."

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BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a called meeting of the Board of Aldermen, held on Friday evening, 20th inst.

The President having appropriately announced the recent decease of Mr. Samuel J. McCORMICK, late Clerk of the City and Auditor, the following resolutions, which were unanimously passed.

Resolved, That this Board feel sensibly the heavy loss it has sustained, in the death of late Clerk of the City, Samuel J. McCORMICK, to whose official courtesy and kindness, and to whose efficiency in his position, each and every one of them has sincere pleasure in bearing testimony.

Resolved, That by this melancholy event, the city has been deprived of a valuable officer, who has been personally and personally responded in all regards to the confidence so liberally extended to him by his fellow-citizens.

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